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WHAT: The University of New Hampshire's Research and Public Service office and the Provost's office have teamed up to launch the Outreach Scholars Program, a new initiative to build faculty strengths in outreach scholarship. Twenty-two professors were chosen by the selection committee. This year the specific focus for the Outreach Scholars Program is math; science & engineering education; marine education and research; social sciences and the health sciences.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 13, 2004, from 11a.m.-noon

WHERE: Holloway Commons, Piscataqua Room

DETAILS: The program is designed to build teams of faculty who will champion outreach scholarship at the university and develop the knowledge to work more effectively with external constituencies. Outreach scholars are those who typically focus some of their research interests in areas that are beneficial to external partners. As a land, sea and space grant university, UNH has a special commitment to generate knowledge and applications that directly benefit the public.

The induction ceremony features the theme "Excellence in Outreach Scholarship." Dr. Joan Leitzel, president emerita of UNH, will present a keynote address discussing how outreach and engagement in scholarship connects to the national agenda. Additional speakers include Bruce Mallory, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs; Julie Williams, associate vice president for research and outreach scholarship, and Eleanor Abrams, associate professor of education and director of outreach scholarship.

The 22 Outreach Scholars will participate in a series of workshops and lectures by nationally known experts in outreach scholarship and work in teams to develop a year-end project related to policy, educational outreach or research related to outreach scholarship.

For more information about the Outreach Scholars Program and a list of the scholars, contact Eleanor Abrams, director of outreach scholarship, at 603-862-1997 or eleanor.abrams@unh.edu.

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